IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1   1.   (currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

2   ~~an open API server~~ a plurality of open API servers adapted for communicating

3   with a plurality of user ~~device~~ devices and for sending and receiving application

4   programming interface commands; and

5   a proxy adapted for receiving said application programming interface commands

6   from said open API ~~server~~ servers, for sending said application programming interface

7   commands received from said open API ~~server~~ servers to an application, for receiving

8   responses from said application, and for sending said received responses to said open API

9   ~~server~~ servers;

10   wherein said proxy processes service contract terms to determine local service

11   contract implementation parameters for each of the open API servers and sends the local

12   service contract implementation parameters to ~~said open API server~~ the respective open

13   API servers, wherein the local service contract implementation parameters sent to the

14   open API ~~server direct~~ servers direct the open API ~~server~~ servers to implement local

15   service contract terms; ~~and~~

16   wherein each of said open API ~~server~~ servers controls sending application

17   programming interface commands based on the ~~local service contract terms~~ respective

18   local service contract implementation parameters sent to the open API servers.

1   2.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said service contract terms

2   and said local service contract implementation parameters are related to a service contract.

1   3.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further including a database for

2   storing control parameters, wherein said proxy accesses and processes said stored control

3   parameters to form said local service contract implementation parameters.

1 4.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further including a registration and
2 discovery device that receives control parameters, wherein said proxy processes said
3 stored control parameters to form said <u>local</u> service contract implementation parameters.

1 5.   (original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said proxy includes input/output
2 circuitry, a memory, and a processor.

1 6.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further including a computer
2 readable media for storing program information that at least partially controls said proxy
3 to produce said <u>local</u> service contract implementation parameters.

1 7.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein ~~the at least one identified~~
2 ~~condition comprises a change in~~ <u>each of said open API servers is adapted for requesting</u>
3 <u>modified local service contract implementation parameters based on</u> service usage.

1 8 - 16. (cancelled)

1 17.   (currently amended) A method of operating a telecommunication network,
2 comprising:
3   obtaining service contract terms;
4   processing the service contract terms to ~~develop~~ <u>determine local service contract</u>
5 implementation parameters for <u>each of</u> a plurality of open API servers;
6   sending said <u>local service contract</u> implementation parameters to said ~~plurality of~~
7 <u>respective</u> open API servers, wherein the <u>respective local service contract</u> implementation
8 parameters sent to ~~each open API server directs that~~ <u>the open API servers direct the</u> open
9 API ~~server~~ <u>servers</u> to implement local service contract terms;
10   receiving application programming interface commands from the ~~plurality of~~
11 open API servers, wherein each open API server sends said application programming
12 interface commands ~~in accordance with its local service contract terms~~ <u>based on</u>
13 <u>respective local service contract implementation parameters sent to the open API servers;</u>
14 and

15   passing said received application programming interface commands to at least one

16 application.

1 18.   (currently amended) The method of claim 17, further including the steps of:

2   identifying, at said one of said open API servers, a condition requiring

3 modification of at least one of said local service contract terms associated with said one

4 of said open API servers; and

5   sending ~~said~~ at least one request to modify said at least one of said local service

6 contract terms.

1 19.   (previously presented) The method of claim 17, further including the step of

2 storing said obtained service contract terms.

1 20.   (cancelled)

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